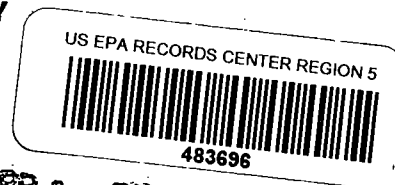




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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:  
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July 9, 1991

Mr. John Gruner, President  
Manner Plating, Inc.  
926 E. River Lane  
Loves Park, IL 61111

Re: Visual Site Inspection  
Manner Plating, Inc.  
EILD 082 050 576

Dear Mr. Gruner:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Region V will conduct a Preliminary Assessment and Visual Site Inspection (PA/VSI) at the referenced facility. This inspection is conducted pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (RCRA) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended (CERCLA). The PA/VSI requires identification and systematic review of all solid waste streams at the facility. The objective of the PA/VSI is to determine whether or not releases of hazardous wastes or hazardous constituents have occurred or are occurring at the facility which may require further investigation. This analysis will also provide information to establish priorities for addressing any confirmed releases.

The visual site inspection of your facility is to verify the location of all solid waste management units (SWMUs) and areas of concern to make a cursory determination of their condition by visual observation. The VSI supplements and updates data gathered during a preliminary file review. During this site inspection, no samples will be taken. A sampling visit to ascertain if releases of hazardous waste or constituents have occurred may be required at a later date.

Assistance of some of your personnel may be required in reviewing solid waste flow(s) or previous disposal practices. The site inspection is to provide a technical understanding of the present and past waste flows and handling, treatment, storage, and disposal practices. Photographs of the facility are necessary to document the condition of units at the facility and the waste management practices used.

The VSI has been scheduled for July 24, 1991. The inspection team will consist of Michael Gorman and Gabrielle Norkis of Resource Applications, Inc., contractors for the U.S. EPA.

Representatives of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency may also be present. Your cooperation in admitting and assisting them while on site is appreciated.

The U.S. EPA recommends that personnel who are familiar with present and past manufacturing and waste management activities be available during the VSI. Access to any relevant maps, diagrams, hydrogeologic reports, environmental assessment reports, sampling data sheets, manifests and/or correspondence is also necessary, as such information is needed to complete the PA/VSI. Enclosed is a summary of our current knowledge and data gaps.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (312) 886-4448 or Sheri Bianchin at (312) 886-4446. A copy of the Preliminary Assessment/Visual Site Inspection Report, excluding the conclusions portion may be made available upon request.

Sincerely yours,



for Kevin M. Pierard, Chief  
OH/MN Technical Enforcement Section

Enclosure

cc: Bob Wengrow, IEPA - Rockford  
Larry Eastep, IEPA - Land Pollution Control Division

ATTACHMENT

Manner Plating, Inc.  
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PROBABLE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS (SWMUs)

1. Little information was available to compile a list of solid waste management units at your facility. The only unit I know of is the one that was closed. Please list all additional waste management units currently active or inactive at your facility. If possible, please provide as complete information for the waste unit in response to the questions below.

From the list of probable SWMUs please address the following questions:

- Do the above SWMUs still exist at the facility and are they in operation?
  - What are the start-up and closure dates of the above SWMUs?
  - What types of wastes are the SWMUs currently/formerly used for?
  - Name any SWMUs at your facility that have not been listed above. These would include hazardous waste storage areas, treatment units, or any other area or system at your facility dealing with hazardous waste.
2. Please supply as much information as possible concerning the site history. This would include any information you have regarding any other owner/operators at this location.
  3. Please provide a description of the primary processes taking place at your facility and the waste streams which are generated.
  4. Describe the methods of treatment and disposal of generated waste utilized by your facility.

If available, the following items are requested:

- A detailed map of the facility showing the location of the SWMUs and production stations.
- Flow diagrams showing waste streams and waste management practices.